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Madrid, *November* 23.

THe 16th Instant the King went to the Escurial to Hunt, and returned hither again the 21. the ill weather bringing his Majesty back sooner than he intended. The 14th was published here the Truce between the two Crowns; And orders have been sent for doing the like in all the Ports and Frontier places of this Kingdom. Don *Ferdinando Escovedo*, Grand Prior of *Castille* (which Dignity was formerly possessed by Don *Jean* of *Austria*) had the last week Audience of the King before whom he covered for the first time as Grandee of *Spain*. The Letters from *Cadiz* give an account that the Spanish Men of War that were designed to go and meet the *New Spain* Fleet, were laid up again, to save that expence. From *Barcelona* we have advice, that the Capitana of the Gallies of *Naples*, of which the Marquis *de Cogolludo* is General, was in a great storm cast away in that Port, and that of above 300 Persons, who were on Board, only 26 were saved; but by good fortune the Marquis *de Cogolludo* was athore: This unhappy accident happened thus; The Capitana was fastned to the Body of a Vessel that had been purposely sunk, but the violence of the Tempest making it float, beat it upon the said Gally, which having got loose, soon after sunk. Another of the Neopolitan Gallies received at the same time a great deal of damage. The Gallies of *Sicily*, *Sardinia*, and *Genoua* are at *Cadaques*, having orders to sail with the first fair weather for *Italy*. The Duke of *Bournonville*, late Viceroy of *Catalonia*, is arrived at *Saragossa* in his way hither; The King has made him Chancelor of the Supreme Council of *Flanders*, (which Place hath been vacant for some years) with a yearly Pention of 12000 Ducats; But it's said he desires to retire.

Vienna, *November* 29. All our Advices from the Ottoman Territories assure us, That the Turks make very great preparations for the next Campagne; That they have in a manner emptied their Garisons in *Asia* to employ the Troops on this side; And that they will bring great numbers of Men into the Field; But while the Enemy is thus busied we are not idle here; All possible endeavors being used to bring such an Army into the Field the next Summer as may repair the misfortune of the last. The Elector of *Bavaria* hath promised the Emperor that he will have 18000 Men of his own Troops in *Hungary* the next Spring, and that He will provide Artillery and Ammunition proportionably. It's said the Elector of *Cologne* will likewise assist the Emperor with 12000 Men; The Bishop of *Wirtsburg* with 4000; The Circle of *Franconia* with 5 or 6000; And these good examples it's not doubted will be followed by the rest of the Princes of the Empire. The Duke of *Lorrain* is still at *Presbourg*, ordering the Winter-quarters, but will be here in few days; The Imperial Troops suffer very much in their march, the ways being extremely broken by the ill weather; and Provisions not very plentiful; Several Regiments which are reduced to a very small number will be reformed, and the Soldiers put into other Bodies. General *Schultz* has taken a small place in *Upper Hungary* called *Divavez*, which was surrendred upon Articles; And it's still said he has a design upon *Esperies*; but a great deal of Snow having fallen, and the weather growing very cold, it's thought he will be obliged to defer the execution of it, till a more convenient time. Very strict Orders have been published in all the Hereditary Countries against the Exporting of Corn or any other Provisions. The Baron *Zierowski* is gone for *Poland* to reside there as Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor; the Count *de Wallastain*, the Imperial Ambassador, having leave to return home. The Emperor hath named the Sieur *Seiler* to go for *France* in the quality of his Resident.

Ratisbonne, *December* 7. The Elector of *Bavaria* parted from *Vienna* the 30th of the last month for *Municke*; It is reported that his Marriage with the Arch-Dutchess *Maria Antonia*, the Emperor's Daughter, is concluded; And that it will be consummated when his Electoral Highness returns to *Vienna* in the Spring. A great Council of War will be held at *Vienna*, so soon as the Duke of *Lorrain* arrives there, to examine the whole Conduct of the Siege of *Buda*; The ill success whereof is chiefly attributed to the divisions in the Army, and the disunion among the Generals. Our Letters from *Hungary* give an account that the Serasquier Bassa after having given the necessary orders for the repairing the Fortifications of *Buda*, and supplying the place with Provisions, was retired to put his Troops into their Winter quarters. That the Imperialists have demolished *Pest*; but are fortifying *Vaccia* and *Vicegrad*. And that the Duke of *Lorrain* had broken the Regiments of *Croy* and *Lubomirski*, and had put the Men into other Regiments.

Cologne, *December* 8. This City having resolved to assist the Emperor with some Troops against the Turks, the Magistrates are considering how to raise the Moneys to maintain them, and it's believed they will agree upon a Tax of the hundred penny. The Elector of *Cologne* has let the Magistrates of this City know, that he intends to be here about the middle of this Month and not to come *incognito* as he has hitherto done, but that he expects to be received by them with Ceremony as their Arch-Bishop, and to reside in his own Palace. The Troops of the Circle are still here, and our Magistrates are desirous to have them stay some time longer.

Brussels, *December* 12. The Count *d'Erps* and the Abbot of St. *Michael* who are hostages with the French for the payment of the Contributions of this Province, are returned hither from *Dinant*, to hasten the remaining payments, two have been made already, and the third will not be due till the end of *March*, by which time they hope the fourth and last will be likewise ready, that so they may be discharged, having now only liberty to come hither for a few days. The Letters from *Liege* of the 9th Instant tell us, the Count *de Daun* had made an agreement with the Elector of *Cologne* concerning the Troops he is to assist the Emperor with; that he parted from thence the 7th on his return to *Vienna*; And that Orders have been given to the Regiments of Count *Emanuel de Furstemberg* and of Major General *Swartz*, who are already received into his Imperial Majesties Service to take their Winter Quarters in the Territories